

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1030 without my signature.

While I support the California Library Literacy and English Acquisition Services Program, the changes proposed in this bill are unnecessary. Current law already authorizes the provision of English language literacy service to adults and youth who are not enrolled in school. This bill would simply authorize the provision of such services to a specific subgroup of the same youth population.

In addition, I do not support repealing the requirement that, as a condition of funding, a local jurisdiction maintain the prior year's level of private support. Eliminating the requirement for this private support will result in either a decrease in services and/or create cost pressure on the General Fund to backfill any loss of such funds.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger